



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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UPCOMING **APPROVED** ADDITIONAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS DURING 2023

Virginia Code § 3.2-6556 requires every animal control officer to complete 15 hours of additional training in animal control and protection every three years, and requires all training courses to be approved by the State Veterinarian. The State Veterinarian's criteria used to approve training require training providers or participants to submit a request form for course approval. For assistance in requesting approval for an upcoming training event, contact animalcare@vdacs.virginia.gov

Course Name	Provider	Location	Date	Training Hours	Cost
Building and Winning and Animal Welfare Case	Justice Clearinghouse	Online	Ongoing Through 12/31/23	5	Free to JC Members
Facing Compassion Fatigue Head On	American Association of Veterinary State Boards	Online	Ongoing Through 12/31/2023	1	Free
Venomous Snake Safety with Introduction to Manipulation	Adaptation Environmental Services	Online	Ongoing Through 12/31/23	1.5	\$185
Fear Free Shelter Program Online Modules	FearFreeShelters.com	Online	Ongoing Through 12/31/2023	5	Free
Equine Animal Cruelty Investigations	AWLArlington/VD ACS	Online	6/13/2023	3	Free
Canine Assessment of Risk for Shelter	Shelter Playgroup Alliance	Online	Ten Sessions starting 2/1/23 and ending 5/31/23	22	\$250
Safe Capture	San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance Academy	Rappahannock Regional Criminal Justice Academy	6/13/2023 & 6/15/2023	16	\$875
Solving Problems with Deer	(HSUS) via Justice Clearinghouse	Online	4/27/2023	1.25	Free
What to Do about Conflicts with Rodents: Addressing Rodent Conflicts in Your Community and Facility	(HSUS) via Justice Clearinghouse	Online	9/28/2023	1.25	Free

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Cats and Wildlife	(HSUS) via Justice Clearinghouse	Online	7/20/2023	1.25	Free
Equine Education and Safe Handling	Hope's Legacy Equine Rescue	Castle Rock Farm, 2080 Castle Rock Road, Afton, VA 22920	4/19/2023 & 10/11/2023	3	Free
Animal Shelter Compliance	VAAS	Online	4/25/2023 & 4/28/2023	8	Free
Community Engagement and De-Escalation for Animal Service Professionals	Justice Clearinghouse	Online	5/25/2023	1.25	Free
Disease Prevention, Animal Handling, Legislative Overview & Outdoor Cat Management	VAAS	Loudon (5/12/23), Harrisonburg (5/16/23), Henrico (5/17/23), Wytheville (5/22/23), Danville (5/23/23), Newport News (5/31/23)	5/12/2023, 5/16/2023, 5/17/2023, 5/22/2023, 5/23/2023, 5/31/2023	8	Free
Wildlife In The Field and Triage	Animal Education and Rescue Organization & AWLA	Online	4/28/2023	1.5	Free